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TOPIC Military Information from Rostock 25X1

25X1 EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

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REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. Between 6 and 8 p.m. on 12 and 13 June 1952, the troops in the Putlitz Kaserne in Rostock (N 55/0 81) were engaged in athletics. Fifteen 76.2-mm AT guns and about 20 x 100-mm AT guns were parked in the barracks yard. [REDACTED] 25X1

[REDACTED] After about 10 minutes, the column stopped for 10 minutes in the village of Dienkow and then proceeded toward Hinrichsdorf. It returned to the barracks installation at 0:30 p.m. on 18 June.

2. On 12 and 13 June, 10 x 76.2-mm AT guns were noticed in the yard of the Ulmen Kaserne. AT gun emplacements were constructed on the new race course where usually training was held in the forenoon. A municipal employee said that the Soviet komendatura had moved into the building of the labor office. [REDACTED] 25X1
3. When the new unit moved into the Ulmen Kaserne, a high board fence was erected around the installation. Prior to 14 June, most of the training activity was conducted within the barracks installation. At 10:30 a.m. on 1 June, a march column consisting of 12 musicians, 16 officers and 430 troops left the Ulmen Kaserne and apparently went to a ceremony in the Putlitz Kaserne. The troops marched in one section of 136 men and three sections each of 95 to 100 men. They wore red-bordered black epaulets, most of them with AT insignia on the left sleeve. Prior to 14 June, one wing of the Putlitz Kaserne was occupied as previously by naval troops. [REDACTED] 25X1

4. On 31 May, the Rostock labor office which previously housed various offices was given notice to be vacated within a short time. A guard detail whose personnel wore red-bordered black epaulets moved into the building. [REDACTED] 25X1

5. On 23 June, about 120 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed practicing firing with 10 x 37-mm AA guns in the Putlitz Kaserne. The majority of the troops stationed there were out of the installation probably for firing practices in the area between Warnemunde and Dobersan. On 23 June, the Ulmen Kaserne was occupied by about 600 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with

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artillery insignia and about 125 naval troops.

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6. In mid-May, seven bunkers guarded by sentries were noticed on the west side of the Barnstorfer Tannen. Fuel tanks were stored between the bunkers. Fire extinguishing equipment was noticed at two bunkers.

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Comment. The report confirms that no change occurred in the occupation of the installations in Rostock until mid-June. According to the reference report, firing practices of the corps artillery brigade of the LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps are probably conducted in the Rostock Heath west of Hinrichshagen where units of the brigade have probably been rotating since mid-June 1952. However, it is also possible that firing practices at sea targets are conducted in the Larnemuende-Boberan area. The 37-mm AA guns in the Pulitz Kaserne possibly belong to a unit of the 3d Gds AA Div. the labor office houses a kommandatura.

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Comment. Probably a fuel depot of the corps artillery brigade of the LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps. it is located between Barnstori and Gross Schuss, about 3 km west of Rostock.

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